

ALL CALENDAR INCLUDES NURTURE OPPORTUNITIES

TEACHER ENRICHMENT EVENT SCHEDULED:

Church School Teachers in Idaho and Oregon will have the opportunity to sharpen their skills and get more in touch with the Christian Education-Shared Approaches Curriculum through the Teacher Enrichment Events planned by the Fellowship of Idaho Religious Educators and the Fellowship of Oregon Religious Educators, both CPC Conference organizations committed to providing nurture and fellowship for Christian Educators in the Conference. The F.I.R.E. event will be held at the Community Church of Weiser on Saturday, September 8. There will be two F.O.R.E. events. The first will be on Saturday, October 6, at First Congregational Church, Eugene, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. The second, on Sunday, October 7, beginning at 2:00 and concluding at 6:00, will be held at the Community Church of Cedar Hills. More specific information has been sent to local churches.

CONFIRMATION CONSULTATIONS SET:

The Reverend Larry Kalp, Secretary for Older Childhood Educators, Board for Homeland Ministries, will be in the Conference on October 9-10-11, to give leadership to consultations on Confirmation Education to be held in Boise, Portland and Medford. These consultations prompted by a concern of the Christian Nurture Department, are intended to include pastors, Christian Education Committee members and/or other church committees with responsibility for Confirmation, and interested parents and youth. The purpose of the consultations is to explore the philosophy of Confirmation Education, models of programs and resources which are or will become available through the UCC Division of Publication. Local church ministers will receive more information.

PACIFIC SCHOOL
OF RELIGION

ROOD TO INAUGURATE

C. E. A. PROGRAM

Dr. Wayne R. Rood, Professor of Religious Education, Pacific School of Religion, will be the initial resource person from the Christian Education Associates Program to be launched in September by the Christian Nurture Department. Dr. Rood will speak at a dinner meeting at Bethel Congregational Church, Beaverton, on Friday, September 28. At this meeting, open to all interested persons, Dr. Rood will explore "The Educational Mission of the Church". On Saturday, in sessions for participants in the C.E.A. Program, he will focus on "Giants of Christian Education".

The Christian Education Associates Program is a two-year program designed to provide persons in local churches who have, or want to prepare for, the responsibilities of leadership of the Christian Education program. Participants will have the opportunity to acquire more of the skills, insights and experience necessary in fulfilling their responsibilities.

Costs for the C.E.A. program are to be shared by the Conference, which will underwrite the leadership costs, and the local church and the participant who will be expected to cover travel costs, books and the \$25 annual registration fee.

Except for the initial session at Bethel, Beaverton, C.E.A. sessions will be held in the Media-Resource Library at the Interchurch Center, Portland.

Interested persons should contact their minister for brochures and registration forms, or Gene Ross at the Conference Office.

SUPPORTING UCC MISSION

Once again it is time to anticipate the annual NEIGHBORS IN NEED all-church offering. The offering is recommended for observance on World Communion Sunday, October 7. Last year, members of the United Church of Christ gave \$657,887 to support Neighbors in Need projects. This year, the offering will support five important projects:

- \$110,000 will be used by the Office for Church in Society to aid newly-arrived immigrants in the United States.
- \$200,000 or 1/3 of the net offering (whichever is larger) will be used by the Council for American Indian Ministry to support ministries for American Indians.
- \$125,000 will go to the Commission for Racial Justice to underwrite a program for the rights of the mentally-retarded, alleged criminal offenders.
- \$85,000 will go to the United Church Board for Homeland Ministries for community betterment in urban areas.
- \$75,000 will go to the Office of Communication for television spot announcements on the Church's role in combating world hunger.

Congregations should have received bulk supplies on NIN promotional material in July. Your generous support of the annual Neighbors in Need appeal is needed! Thanks for your support!

1979 SUMMER CAMPING UP

While final statistics for the Summer were not available at publication time, Gene Ross reports that both at Pilgrim Cove and Camp Adams the camper population is running ahead of 1978 by approximately 15%. Evaluations from camps already completed are very encouraging. Two planned camps had to be dropped because of low registration: Sawtooth Mountain Trail Camp and Church Renewal. The Shakespeare/Britt Festivals Camp, dropped last year, was held successfully this year. A more complete report will be carried in the October NEWS.

FROM THE CONF. MINISTER — Dear Friends:

The day fast approaches when I close my ministry among you.

Thank you for being the people you are. You are a great people and to have been in ministry with you in the name of Christ has been a joy and privilege.

Gene Ross will be assuming large responsibilities in the next few months. I solicit in his behalf your fullest support and encouragement. I have confidence you will do that.

And when the Conference Minister is elected, I have confidence that you will give him or her the full measure of warm reception and support as you have done to me.

I pray God's blessings on you; that you will continue to proclaim the word of God's love with boldness, that you will continue in acts of compassion and mercy for the bruised and broken, that you will know the joy of the Lord's grace.

Grace and Peace be with you. Love, Terry

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in Combating World Hunger

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FALL ACTIVITIES FOR WOMEN

CAMP ADAMS RETREAT:

OLD CONTRACTS/NEW WORLD

In addition to the Fall Cluster Meeting sponsored by the Women's Association, the Women's Advisory Committee is sponsoring a weekend retreat at Camp Adams, October 5-6-7.

In addition to the keynote address by Charlotte Wright, UCC laywoman, registered nurse, minister's wife, educator and Hospice program director, there will be a number of workshop facilitators providing input in a wide variety of issues, among which are: "Suddenly on Your Own", "Life's Transitions", "Creatively Living the Single Life Style", "Hearing Our Ethnic Sisters", "Motherhood -- to Kid or Not to Kid". The weekend format is designed to allow time to move into the issues in some depth, to share with other women, to provide a supportive community, to have the joy of singing, eating and worshiping together.

Fliers have been sent to local churches announcing the event. More information will be sent in early September.

SINGLES WEEKEND LEADS TO RECOMMENDATIONS

An experimental program which the Central Pacific Conference sponsored for the first time this Summer is the Singles Weekend Retreat at Camp Adams held July 13-14-15. About 35 single adults attended with 14 children of single parents and a dozen discussion leaders.

The evaluations that came in at the end of the weekend and the comments that were received throughout the weekend indicated that the event met very well some of the needs of single adults. One of these needs, obviously, is that our single members want opportunities to meet together in a church environment, an opportunity we had not had before.

Overall, the interactions between the new acquaintances were most valued. The group very strongly urged that a singles' weekend become a regular feature of the Conference Camping Program.

-- Caren Caldwell

FALL CLUSTER MEETINGS

Twice each year the women of our churches meet in geographic areas to share fellowship, study, worship, push back some horizons and come to new understanding of our Conference and the denomination of which we are a part.

The Fall meetings will involve the women in experiences in "Worship Through the Arts" and sharing groups on "Life's Passages". It is our intent, as we plan the Fall meetings, to offer opportunities for inspiration, reflection and fellowship; the intent of the Spring series of meetings is to provide resources and/or programs to stimulate program planning for the local church.

Locations and dates for this Fall's meetings are:

Nampa, Idaho	- Sept. 25
American Falls	- Sept. 27
Medford	- Sept. 28 (overnight) - Sept. 29 (morning)
Condon	- Oct. 2
Hillsboro	- Oct. 11
Salem, Knight Mem.	- Oct. 24

These meetings are not designed just for those women in organized women's programs in the church, but for all ages and all women. Reservations for lunch should be sent to the entertaining church at least 24 hours in advance of each meeting, cost \$1.50. Convening time is 9:30 a.m., with adjournment at 3:00 p.m. Child care is provided if participants indicate that children are to be in attendance.

-- Anne Smith

COMING OCTOBER 27

HYMN WORKSHOP AND LECTURESHIP Featuring

Erik Routley, hymnologist, author, teacher

First Congregational Church, Portland

Watch October NEWS for more information.

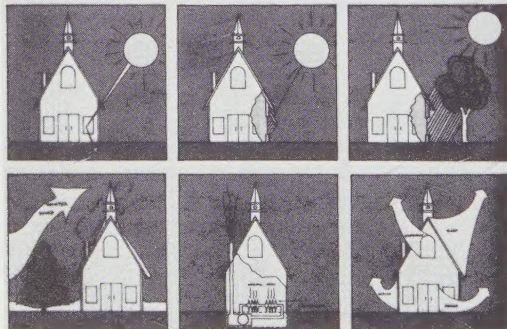
NEW RESOURCES: THE ENERGY-EFFICIENT CHURCH

STOP WHAT YOU'RE DOING AND READ THIS: If you have complained about the high cost of heating your church building in winter and/or cooling it in summer, you must read this book! The Energy-Efficient Church was prepared by Total Environmental Action, Inc., Harrisville, N.H., for the Office of Architecture of the National Division of the Board of Global Ministries, United Methodist Church. It was edited by Douglas R. Hoffman and its publication was supported by the Church Development Task Force of the Joint Strategy for Action Committee (JSAC), an inter-denominational group that includes our United Church Board for Homeland Ministries. The Energy-Efficient Church was published by the UCBHM-related Pilgrim Press.

The Energy-efficient Church How to Save Energy (and money) in Your Church



Total Environmental Action, Inc.
Douglas R. Hoffman, Editor
Foreword by Gordon Bucy, A.T.A.



The best energy-conservation measures vary from building to building, according to the authors of this book. But as a rule, they fall into three main strategies: Don't send energy "up the chimney." Reduce the demand for heat (or cool). And keep heat where you want it--inside or outside of the church--depending on the season.

CLUSTER GATHERINGS PROPOSED ON WILLS AND BEQUESTS

A joint project of Central Pacific Conference and Pacific University, funded by a grant from the UCC Division of Higher Education, will get underway in September and October as minister clusters meet. This project, under the guidance of the Conference Wills and Bequests Committee and David Lowe from Pacific University, seeks to raise the consciousness of local church persons regarding wills and bequests and to provide educational resources for will preparation and understanding the variety of forms bequests can take.

Following the meetings with the ministers, the goal is to provide programs within local churches.

SYNOD SPEAKERS AVAILABLE

Did you know General Synod met in Indianapolis in June? Do you know what they did? Are you interested? Did you know they established a Coordinating Center for Women in Church and Society? That they approved a 6-year covenant to work toward unity with the Disciples of Christ? That they passed a pronouncement on the quality of life in rural America? That they extended the study of human sexuality and created a new task force? That they authorized a fund-raising campaign for New Initiatives in Church Development?

Members of the CPC delegation would welcome the opportunity to report on these and other Synod actions to your congregation. Looking for a program? Have a group that is interested in pursuing issues? Contact with one of the following - Sylvia Love, Anne Smith, William Jackson, Gary Peterson, Ted Edquist or Farley Maxwell - can either be made directly or through the Conference Office.

In addition to evaluating each strategy in detail and noting its cost-effectiveness under varying circumstances, the authors have provided in an appendix detailed formulas to help you study your own situation. Order The Energy-Efficient Church from your local bookstore or from the Pilgrim Press, 287 Park Avenue South, New York, N.Y. 10010. The cost is \$4.95. If your congregation hasn't yet bought a copy, order one now!

← The Local Scene →

There have been a number of changes in pastoral leadership in Conference churches since the NEWS was last published. New ministers have arrived, while others have departed or prepare to depart.

The Reverend Larry Gruman has resigned as Minister of First Congregational Church, Eugene. The Reverend Dr. Davie Napier, former President of Pacific School of Religion, has been called to serve as Interim Minister.

The Reverend Dwight Hoelscher has resigned as Minister of First Congregational Church, Corvallis. A Search Committee has been elected to seek his successor.

The Reverend Armin Munz has resigned as Minister of First Congregational Church, Pocatello, to accept a call from Malta/Mayfield Parish in Illinois.

The Reverend Earle Spahr, Minister at First Congregational Church, Idaho Falls, has taken early retirement and plans on returning to Ohio.

The Reverend Abner Frost has resigned at First Congregational Church, Nampa.

The Reverend Rosemary Rocha Iha has resigned at the Ashland UCC and will move to the San Francisco Bay area.

Meridian UCC, Wilsonville, has called Linda Elliott to be their Pastor. Linda and Bill arrived in July from Andover-Newton Seminary. Linda will be ordained by the Washington-North Idaho Conference in the Fall.

The Reverend Catherine Barker has been called to the Ione UCC. Catherine is a graduate of Yale Divinity School.

The Reverend Phil Oliver has accepted a call from Hillsdale Community Church, Portland. Mr. Oliver will be coming from Belmont, Ca.

Wayne Steinert, former Intern at Hood River, has been called to the Congregational Church of Medford as Assistant Minister.

The Reverend Erica Long, recent graduate of PSR, has been called to the Campus Ministry Staff at Oregon State University.

The Reverend Ned Luther, Hillsboro, represented the Conference at Erica's ordination in Northern California.

Riverside Community Church, Hood River, was the setting for the ordination of Dave Harder, a member of that church. Dave has been called as Associate Minister at St. John's UCC, Woodland, Ca., where former Riverside Minister, Arlan Fick, is now Senior Minister.

Peter Bauer was ordained on August 19 at the First Congregational Church, Portland. Peter has been called to a two-point charge in Missouri.

Randy Hachfeld has completed his year's Internship at Boise, First, and has returned for his first year of study at United Theological Seminary in New Brighton, Minn.

Add to the list of Conference churches sponsoring refugee families First Congregational Church, Salem.

Parkrose Community Church, has begun construction of the new elevator and rest room facilities which are being installed to make the building more accessible to persons with handicaps.

Linda Pompel is the new Director of Religious Education at First Congregational Church, Eugene.

FOR ALL THE SAINTS...

EDWARD SALTER

April 18, 1882 - July 28, 1979

Ed, born in Iowa, graduated from Yankton College where later he served on the Board of Trustees for 12 years. He served four Oregon churches: Ardenwald, Butteville, Smyrna/Elliott Prairie and Carmel. Ed had been ordained for 63 years at the time of his death in Salem.

...WHO FROM THEIR LABORS REST

DATES TO REMEMBER



Sept. 8: F.I.R.E. TEACHER ENRICHMENT
EVENT - Weiser Community Church

13: MISSION & OUTREACH DEPARTMENT
- Parkrose Community Church
5:30 - 9:30

14: MISSION INTERPRETATION T.F.
- Interchurch Center, 7:00 pm

14: PERSONNEL COMMITTEE - 1:30

15: CHURCH & MINISTRY DEPARTMENT
- Interchurch Center, 9-3:30

21: FINANCIAL SUPPORT DEPARTMENT
- Interchurch Center, 7:00 pm

22: EXECUTIVE BOARD
- Interchurch Center, 9-4:00

25: WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP CLUSTER
- Nampa

27: WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP CLUSTER
- American Falls

28-29: WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP CLUSTER
- Medford

28-29: CHRISTIAN EDUCATION ASSOCIATES
PROGRAM - Bethel, Beaverton

Oct. 2: WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP CLUSTER
- Condon

5-6-7: WOMEN'S RETREAT
Old Contracts/New World
- Camp Adams

5: TEACHER ENRICHMENT EVENT
- First Congregational Church,
Eugene - 10:00-3:00

6: TEACHER ENRICHMENT EVENT
- Community Church of Cedar
Hills - 2:00-6:00

9: CONFIRMATION CONSULTATION
- Boise

10: CONFIRMATION CONSULTATION
- Portland

11: CONFIRMATION CONSULTATION
- Medford

19-20: FALL COUNCIL
- First Congregational Church,
Vancouver

FALL COUNCIL IS COMING

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